

HOUSE No. 1070

By Mrs. Paulsen of Belmont, petition of Anne M. Paulsen and others relative to the granting of alternative diplomas to certain students upon graduation from high school. Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

Anne M. Paulsen
Kay Khan

Steven A. Tolman
John W. Scibak

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO ALTERNATIVE LEARNING STYLE ASSESSMENTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 The second sentence of part (i) of Section 1D of chapter 69 of
2 the General Laws, as appearing in the 2000 Official Edition, is
3 hereby amended by inserting after the word “graduation” the
4 following words:— certified by a Commonwealth Diploma, one
5 that clearly indicates that the student has demonstrated compe-
6 tency on state assessment tests. Students who do not demonstrate
7 competency on state assessment test but who fulfill graduation
8 standards based on alternative learning style assessments
9 approved by the school committee having jurisdiction may be
10 granted a Local Diploma, one that clearly indicates that the stu-
11 dent has been assessed in an alternative manner without demon-
12 strating competency on all required state assessments.